

was received as a licentiate from Orange Presbytery, duly examined and ordered as an evangelist for the Edenton field.

New Church: "Hebron," in the Granville field, Rev. J. S. Kennison pastor.

Peace Institute: Largely through the efforts of Rev. J. C. Shive, its financial secretary and Bible teacher, the school at the capital, was reported full, with prospects for one of the finest years in its history.

Systematic Beneficence: An aggressive program was adopted and commended to all the churches; the pastor was pointed out as the key to the problem; and the report of the committee was ordered printed for distribution among the churches.

Home Mission Work: This was reported in a flourishing condition, and every heart was stirred by the widening harvest field in Eastern Carolina.

Overture: The overture sent down with respect to chapter 12, page 235, Rules of Discipline, was answered in the affirmative.

Presbyterial Sermon: Rev. R. E. Henderlite was appointed to preach the next sermon on "The Second Coming of Christ."

Adjournment: To meet during Synod at Fayetteville at the call of the moderator; time and place of spring meeting were postponed for further consideration.

S. K. Phillips,
Permanent Clerk.

CENTRAL TEXAS.

The Presbytery of Central Texas met in Chilton September 18, 1917, and was opened by a sermon from the moderator, Rev. F. L. McFadden, from Luke 15:4: Jesus looking for the wandering sheep. Present, in all twenty ministers and eleven ruling elders, out of thirty-five ministers and thirty-nine churches.

Officers: Rev. W. S. Red moderator, Rev. E. S. Sansom and Elder R. A. Law, of the Highland University church, clerks.

Rev. C. F. Hancock, of the Presbytery of Meridian, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Messrs. R. A. Franklin, of Streetman church, and G. T. Newton, son of the late J. K. P. Newton, and member of the Maysfield church, after a strict examination, were received under the jurisdiction of this Presbytery.

Telegraphic letters of sympathy were sent to Dr. S. A. King, in the evening of his life, and to Rev. W. S. Scott, our Mexican evangelist, in his sickness. Prayer being offered for both these beloved brethren. Rev. F. L. McFadden was authorized to organize a church at Union Grove if the way be clear.

Home Missions: All our churches are urged to contribute liberally to Assembly's Home Missions in addition to the contributions to Presbyterial Missions.

Foreign Missions: In the absence of the chairman no formal report was made. Rev. C. F. Hancock, of China, gave a splendid address on our work there. It was full of comfort and encouragement.

Two of our ministers having obtained leave of absence from their respective churches to labor as Y. M. C. A. workers among the soldiers, Rev. W. R. Hall at Camp Bowie at Fort Worth, and Rev. E. B. Paisley, at the Aviation Camp in San Antonio, were commended, and the action of the churches of Cameron and Bartlett approved.

Presbyterial Sermons: Rev. J. E. James preached a splendid sermon on the Sin of Covetousness. Rev. W. A. McLeod, as principal, and Rev. L. E. Selfridge, as alternate, are to preach next spring on the Church: Its Unity and Spirituality.

The ministers of the Presbytery and the representatives of all the churches are urged to attend the coming meeting of the Synod, owing to the great importance of the business that shall be presented.

The overture sent down by the Assembly is docketed for the spring meeting. Taylor church was selected for the spring meeting.

A very hearty vote of thanks was extended to the members of the church and citizens of Chilton for their cordial hospitality.

M. C. Hutton, S. C.

MECKLENBURG.

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg met in fall session in the Morven church, September 25, 1917, at 2:30 P. M.,

and was opened with a sermon by the moderator, Rev. J. W. Orr, of Steele Creek church, from Rom. 1:16.

Twenty-seven ministers and twenty-eight elders were present.

Officers: Rev. W. E. Furr, moderator; Rev. C. W. McCully permanent clerk.

Corresponding Members: Rev. Dr. Henry Sweets, of Louisville; Rev. R. S. Latimer, of Fayetteville, and Rev. R. S. Morrison, of Harmony Presbyteries.

Visiting Brethren: Rev. J. H. West, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and Rev. L. B. Justice, of the Southern Baptist Church.

Church Organized: Aqualine, with nineteen members.

Received: Rev. R. S. Latimer, from Fayetteville Presbytery.

Dismissed: Rev. J. A. Calligan to Fayetteville Presbytery.

Installations: Rev. E. S. Watson, at Alton, Bethany and Rehoboth; Rev. D. B. McLaughlin at Norwood; Rev. K. L. Whittington at Marshville.

Pastoral Relation Dissolved: Between Rev. W. E. Furr and St. Paul's church.

Name of Church Changed: From Little to Camden, and it was permitted to employ Rev. A. R. Woodson as supply.

Christian Education: Dr. Sweets was heard in the interest of this cause, and Dr. Evans in the interest of Queen's College.

Calls: For services of Rev. R. S. Latimer from Pageland, Beulah and Salem; for services of Rev. C. C. Meyers from Wilmore. Commission to install him: Rev. J. W. Orr, Rev. H. M. Pressly and Elder N. C. White. Time, October 21, 1917, at 3 P. M.

Home and Foreign Mission Reports: Were considered at length. The churches were urged to give more this year to Foreign Missions because of the extra expenses of the work. The month of November was set apart for a special collection for Presbyterial Home Missions that the churches may all meet their apportionments to this cause in full.

Overtures: To Synod to transfer to us Midland church, if Concord Presbytery concurs. To the Assembly not to reopen the question of "woman's work in the churches." The overture sent down by the Assembly amending the Book of Discipline, chapter 3, paragraph 235, was answered in the affirmative.

Vote of thanks was heartily and unanimously extended to the Morven and Wadesboro churches for their kindness and hospitality.

Adjourned meeting will be held during the session of Synod at Fayetteville.

Spring meeting will be held at Monroe, April 9, 1918, at 8 P. M.

John E. Wool, S. C.

WEST LEXINGTON.

Presbytery met in Providence church at Oxford, Ky., September 25, 1917.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. A. L. McDuffie from Rev. 2:10.

Presbytery was called to order by the retiring moderator, Dr. A. J. A. Alexander. Rev. E. C. Lynch was elected moderator. Rev. J. D. Wallace was elected permanent clerk.

Rev. J. W. McClure was granted permission to labor without the bounds of Presbytery. A petition was granted for the organization of a church at Shoulder Blade.

Received: Rev. J. A. Trostle and Rev. J. Z. Haney were received from the Presbyteries of Transylvania and Ebenezer, respectively. Mr. Joseph Hopper was received as a licentiate from Transylvania Presbytery, a commission was appointed for his ordination; calls were placed in his hands and received by him from St. Helens, Canyon Falls and Twin Creek. Mr. J. Tyler Davis, a member of the Presbyterian church at Victoria, Texas, was received under care of Presbytery as a candidate for the ministry.

Calls: Rev. J. S. Hagins accepted a call from Walnut Hill church, and a committee was appointed to install him September 30th. Rev. J. A. Trostle accepted a call from the Nicholasville church, and his installation was set for October 21st. Rev. J. Z. Haney will supply Mt. Pleasants, Boyers and Lair until the spring meeting. Mr. W. B. Guerrant was ordained and installed pastor of Highland church, August 19th.

Sermons: Rev. J. A. Trostle preached on Wednesday at 11 A. M., and Rev. Clyde Sheelman at 8:30 P.

M. Addresses were made by Rev. A. L. McDuffie and Dr. J. W. Tyler on Assembly's Home Missions, and by Rev. J. C. Hanly, principal, and Mr. W. K. Massie in behalf of Lees College Institute.

Overture: The overture to amend the Rules of Discipline, chapter 12, paragraph 235, was adopted.

Army Chaplain: Rev. C. G. Gunn, with permission of Presbytery, accepted a call as chaplain in the Hospital Unit of Dr. David Barrow. Resolutions presented by him calling on the churches for reconsecration, prayer and study of God's word were adopted. Special prayer was offered for Mr. Gunn, commending him to God in this new work.

Message to President Woodrow Wilson: A message was sent to the President, assuring him of the continuance of our moral support of his administration, sympathy and prayers. Mr. Tumulty answered: "The President is very grateful to you for your letter of September 26th. He deeply appreciates your generous expressions of confidence, as well as your sympathetic interest."

Foreign Missions: A popular meeting in the interest of Foreign Missions was held Wednesday night. Rev. William Cumming, D. D., made the address. Resolutions were adopted thanking the pastor and the people of Oxford for their hospitality and kindness.

Presbytery adjourned to meet at the call of the moderator during Synod.

S. M. Logan, S. C.

ENOREE.

Enoree Presbytery met at Landrum, S. C., October 2, 1917, and was opened with a sermon by Rev. W. A. Hafner on 2 Corinthians 3:3, at the request of the retiring moderator, Rev. S. P. Fulton. Twelve ministers and eighteen ruling elders were present.

Organization: Rev. R. G. Matheson was elected moderator, and Rev. G. O. Griffin, temporary clerk.

Pastoral Relations: The pastoral relations existing between Rev. J. S. Lyons, Jr., and the Fourth church, Greenville, were dissolved by their joint request. Rev. T. A. Beckett was received from South Carolina Presbytery, and arrangements were made for his installation as pastor of Glenn Springs and Mount Calvary churches at an early day.

Rules of Discipline: Presbytery voted not to change Rule of Discipline, chapter 12, paragraph 235, sent down by the Assembly for its advice and consent.

Local Home Missions: Local Home Mission work is very important in this Presbytery, and the effort is being made to raise \$2,000 to help support it. Two-fifths of this amount is remitted to the Synodical treasurer, Rev. W. S. Porter, Jonesville, S. C., is Presbyterial treasurer of Local Home Missions. Excellent work has been done by Candidates A. P. Turner at Landrum, Campobello and Inman; A. N. Littlejohn at Buffalo, Sedalia, Soutric and Carlisle and P. D. Patrick at Monaghan, near Greenville. A lot has been purchased at Landrum and subscriptions are now being taken to erect on it a house of worship.

Courtesies: Rev. H. A. Knox, of Harmony Presbytery, was invited to sit as a corresponding member, and Rev. R. C. Bouldware, of the Methodist church, as a visiting brother.

Presbyterial College of South Carolina: Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour presented the claims of our college in a convincing address. The Presbytery voted to make the Synod the educational unit. It also requested all its sessions to place the Presbyterian College of South Carolina on their budgets.

Adjourned Meeting: Presbytery decided to have an adjourned meeting during the sessions of Synod at Seneca.

Christian Education and Ministerial Relief: A full report was made on this object. Reports on the other causes of the Assembly are made only at the spring meeting.

Report on Systematic Beneficence: A report was made by this committee, showing that Enoree Presbytery was expected to raise as a minimum the following amounts during the year, and these sums were apportioned to the churches: Foreign Missions, \$9,924; Assembly Home Missions, \$4,865; Christian Education and Ministerial Relief, \$2,228; Publication and Sunday-schools, \$713, and Bible Cause, \$178. In addition to these

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amounts, the Synod is striving to raise \$15,000 for local Home Missions in South Carolina and \$9,000 for schools and colleges. Enoree's proportion of these amounts will be, respectively, \$2,400 and \$1,400.

Installation: Rev. Frank P. Anderson has been installed pastor of Woodruff and Center Point churches.

Missionary Address: Rev. H. M. Smith delivered an illuminating address on mission work in China.

Vote of Thanks: A rising vote of thanks was tendered the people of Landrum by Presbytery for their generous hospitality, and especially to the Methodist brethren for the use of their house of worship in which to hold its sessions.

Stated Clerk.

FORT WORTH.

The Presbytery of Fort Worth held its fall meeting at Gorman, Texas, September 25-27, with an attendance of fifteen ministers and nine ruling elders. It was opened with a sermon on Christian Education by the retiring moderator, Rev. A. F. Carr, D. D. Rev. J. W. Gregg was elected moderator; Rev. John V. McCall, D. D., permanent clerk, and Rev. S. B. Hoyt, temporary clerk.

Guests: Rev. C. F. Hancock, of our China Mission, was invited to sit as a corresponding member. Rev. J. S. Walker and Rev. J. M. Armstrong, of the M. E. Church, South, were invited to sit as visiting brethren.

Dismissed: Rev. M. C. Taylor was dismissed to the Presbytery of Louisville.

To Labor Outside the Bounds: Permission to so labor was granted to Rev. S. Gordon Hutton for the next twelve months.

Printing Reports: Presbytery decided that hereafter only brief preambles together with the recommendations of committees' reports shall be printed in the minutes.

Overture: Inasmuch as the overture sent down by the Assembly does not appear in the Assembly minutes, the Presbytery declined to take any action thereon.

Christian Education and Ministerial Relief: Rev. C. L. Altfather was permitted to resign the chairmanship of this committee, and Rev. Gaines B. Hall was elected thereto. Two of the Presbytery's candidates are now in the United States Army.

Home Missions and Evangelism: The observance of Home Mission week and Children's Day was urged upon pastors and Sunday-school superintendents. Encouraging reports of evangelistic work done since last meeting were made by Rev. John E. McLean, Presbyterial Evangelist, and by a number of pastors. A communication from the General Assembly's Committee of Home Missions relative to their work was read for information. The organization of a church at Blum, Texas, was reported by the evangelist.

Presbyterial Dues were fixed at 12 cents per member for the next year.

Stewardship: The churches were urged to co-operate with the Assembly's Stewardship Committee in its work.

Commissioners to the General Assembly: Rev. A. F. Carr, D. D., Rev. S. A. McElroy, D. D., Elder R. W. Coffin, Elder W. W. Cunningham; alternates: Rev. W. R. Potter, Rev. G. L. Smith, Elders R. C. Montgomery and W. M. Patterson.

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